## **REMARKS**

The above preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies from claims 11 and 12. Please refer to the Marked-Up claim page 27, attached herewith.

A new abstract page is supplied to conform to that appearing on the publication page of the WIPO application, but the new Abstract is typed on a separate page as required by U.S. practice.

Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Douglas P. Mueller (Reg. No. 30,300), at (612) 612.371.5237.

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## MARKED UP VERSION

ethylene glycol, diethylene glycol, polyethylene glycol, 1,4-butane diol, and 1,6-hexane diol.

- 11. A heat-fusion bonding adhesive prepared by the 5 manufacturing method defined in <a href="claim 1">claim 1</a> [any one of claims 1 to 10].
- 12. An adhesive fabric obtained by coating, on a surface of a base fabric, the heat-fusion bonding adhesive prepared by the manufacturing method defined in <a href="claim 1">claim 1</a> [any one of claims 1 to 10], and then thermally fusing the adhesive.